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Re: Microsoft Settlement

Dear Honorable Justices:

I believe it is in the public interest to settle the Microsoft case with the settlement that is being proposed now and upon which the Department of Justice is requesting public comment between now and January 28, 2002.

I am a legal secretary who has been working for 40 years. I started out with an IBM electric typewriter. I have used over the years six different word processing systems – none of them Windows-based, all of them difficult. In all my 40 years of working one thing stands out above all else and that is the great contribution Microsoft has made to the workplace. I have the greatest respect for Microsoft. I love to use their products, e.g., Word 97, Excel 2000, and PowerPoint. I am sure millions of other people feel the same. The product that they have developed in the Microsoft Office Suite is of the highest merit and has had a positive impact on the life of millions over the years, making their work easier and even pleasurable. As far as Windows is concerned, I want to use the Windows operating system for the rest of my life. To me, it is one of the greatest inventions of all time. I believe that if Microsoft will provide for other companies, e.g., Netscape Navigator, to be an option in regard to internet browsers they will have come a long way toward equal opportunity for internet navigation.

I just wanted you to know that I will always have the deepest gratitude and highest regard for the Microsoft company. Please help to make sure that no more money is wasted on litigating this matter. Microsoft deserves our thanks, not our condemnation. Thank you very much.

Respectfully yours,

Virginia C. Sullivan

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